PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 1148

HOUSE BILL NO. 2615

By Representatives Williams, Ford, Overbey, Harrison, McCormick, Tidwell, Montgomery, Lundberg, Lollar, Borchert, Vaughn, Hill, Crider, McCord, Roach, Litz, Yokley, Hawk, Sargent, Pitts, Armstrong

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 3565

By Senators Lowe Finney, Bunch

AN ACT to create a special joint committee to study the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. There is hereby created a special joint legislative study committee to consider, evaluate, and make recommendations regarding improvements to the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, including, but not limited to, the issues of state and federal funding sources and how it is governed and managed.

SECTION 2. The committee shall be composed of four (4) members of the senate, to be appointed by the speaker of the senate, and four (4) members of the house of representatives to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

SECTION 3. All appropriate state agencies shall provide assistance to the committee upon the request of the chair.

SECTION 4. The committee shall be convened by the member with the most years of continuous service in the general assembly and, at its organizational meeting, shall elect a chair, vice-chair, and such other officers the committee may deem necessary.

SECTION 6. All members of the special joint committee who are duly elected members of the general assembly shall remain members of such committee until the committee reports its findings and recommendations to the general assembly.

SECTION 5. The committee shall timely report its findings and recommendations to the 106th general assembly within one (1) year of the effective date of this act, at which time the committee shall cease to exist.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 21, 2008

MMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

> RON RAMSEY, SPEAKER SENATE OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 13th day of June 2008

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR